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TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

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1. Response to Restriction Requirement;
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Sir:

✓ In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 12, 2002, Applicant hereby elects examination of Group I, claims 1 in part and claims 2-5, 9, 21, drawn to a method of detecting DESC1 gene expression, isolated nucleic acid, vector and host cell. The election is without traverse.

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